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Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

- 1. (Original) A urethane composition comprising the reaction product of:
 - a. An aliphatic polyisocyanate having three or more isocyanate groups; and
 - b. A fluorochemical of the formula R_f -SO₂N(R^1)- R^2 -Z; wherein R_f a perfluoroalkyl or perfluoroheteroalkyl group having from 3 to about 6

R¹ is a lower alkyl group,

carbon atoms.

R² is an alkylene or heteroalkylene group, and

Z is an isocyanate-reactive functional group, and

said fluorochemical is in an amount sufficient to react with at least about 50% of the available isocyanate groups

- 2. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 1 comprising the further reaction product of an aliphatic monofunctional compound with said aliphatic polyisocyanate.
- 3. (Original) The composition of claim 2 wherein said aliphatic monofunctional compound is of the formula R"-Z, wherein R" is an aliphatic group and Z is an isocyanate-reactive functional group.
- 4. (Original) The composition of claim 3 comprising compounds of the formula $(R_f^*)_n A(NHCO-Z'R''')_{m-n}$,

wherein R_f^* is R_f -SO₂N(R^1)- R^2 -Z',

Z' is the residue of Z,

A is the residue of said aliphatic isocyanate, having valency m,

R" is an aliphatic radical, and

n (average) is at least 1.5.

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5. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein

R_f a fluorinated carbon chain having from 3 to about 6 carbon atoms,

 R^1 is a –H or –CH₃,

R² is an alkylene group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, and

Z is -OH.

- 6. (Original) The composition of claim 3 wherein the amount of aliphatic monofunctional compound is in an amount sufficient to react with the remaining available isocyanate groups.
- 7. (Original) The composition of claim 3 wherein the amount of aliphatic monofunctional compound is in an amount sufficient to react with 15% or less of the available isocyanate groups.
- 8. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the amount of fluorochemical is in an amount sufficient to react with 75% or more of the available isocyanate groups.
- 9. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein R_f is a perfluorinated alkyl group.
- 10. (Original) The composition of claim 1 further comprising a hydrophilic anti-staining compound.
- 11. (Currently amended) The A fibrous substrate treatment composition comprising the urethane composition of claim 1 and a solvent.
- 12. (Original) The treatment composition of claim 11 comprising from about 0.05 to 10 weight percent of the urethane composition.
- 13. (Original) A method for imparting stain-release characteristics to a fibrous substrate comprising the steps of:
 - (a) applying a treatment composition of claim 12, and.

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- (b) allowing the treatment composition to cure.
- 14. (Currently amended) The method of claim 13 14 wherein said treatment composition is applied in an amount sufficient to provide between 0.05% and 3% solids on fiber.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein said composition is cured at ambient temperature.
- 16. (Original) An article comprising:
 - a fibrous substrate having a cured coating derived from at least one solvent and a chemical composition of claim 1.
- 17. (Original) The composition of claim 1 further comprising a surfactant.